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Bissell Joins American Philosophical Society



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Mina Bissell, with Berkeley Lab's Life Sciences Division, has been elected to the [American Philosophical Society](#), one of only six new members chosen this year for the

biological sciences section. Founded in 1743 by Benjamin Franklin, the APS is the oldest scholarly society in the United States. It recognized Bissell for her pioneering work on the relationship between cancer genetics and the three-dimensional structure of cells and tissues. In a letter of congratulations, UC Berkeley Chancellor Robert Birgeneau, himself elected to the APS last year, said Bissell exemplifies Franklin's charge to "promote useful knowledge" for the public interest.